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Re: Application of Jean-Pierre REYAL, Francis SCHMIT
PROCESS FOR THE TREATMENT OF A THIN BRITTLE METAL STRIP
AND MAGNETIC COMPONENTS PRODUCED FROM A STRIP MADE OF
A NANOCRYSTALLINE ALLOY
Our Ref: Q65462

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- an English translation of the International Application.
- 5 sheet(s) of drawings containing Figs. 1-11.
- an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- a Form PTO-1449 listing the ISR references, and a complete copy of each reference.
- a Preliminary Amendment

The Declaration and Power of Attorney, Assignment, will be submitted at a later date with the appropriate fees.

Please see the attached PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT before calculating the filing fee.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>29</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>9</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$162.00</u>
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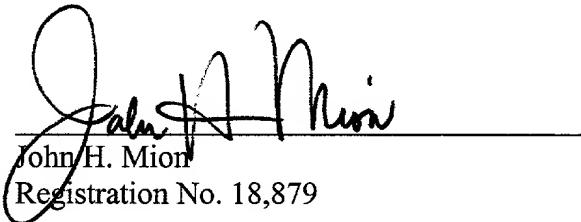
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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1022.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.492 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from January 19, 1999 based on French Application No. 9900521.

Respectfully submitted,



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-identified Application, please make the
following amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, before line 1, insert the following new paragraphs:

In EP-0 687 134, it has been proposed to produce a miniaturized transformer comprising
a laminated magenetic core consisting of a plurality of thin strips linked together by layers of
resin. The laminate is cut to the dimensions of the core to be obtained.

US-4 558 247 describes a saturable core comprising a wound strip made of amorphous
magnetic alloy and an insulating film inserted between the successive turns of the core.